

### **REMARKS**

This responds to the Office Action mailed on September 21, 2009.

Claims 1, 8, 16, and 23 are amended; claims 7, 9-10, and 26 were previously canceled, without prejudice to or disclaimer by the Applicant; as a result, claims 1-6, 8, 11-25, and 27-28 are now pending in this application.

Example support for the amendments may be found throughout the original filed specification. By way of example only the learned Examiner's attention is directed to the original filed specification page 8 lines 27-31; page 12 lines 1-6 and 17-24; page 15 lines 13-15; and page 16 lines 11-14 and 17-19.

### **Priority**

It is noted that the Examiner disagrees that this application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 10/650,211, based on the assertion that U.S. Application No. 10/650,211 does not disclose any embodiments that feature all limitations of each of the instant claims. Applicant respectfully reserves the right to subsequently object to this assessment by the Examiner. In the interest of furthering the prosecution of the application and at this point, Applicant has no other comment on this assessment by the Examiner. It is noted however that the Examiner has not required any kind of formal response from the Applicant on this assessment in the Office Action. Therefore, Applicant disagrees with the assessment and reserves the right to later provide specifics to counter the assessment but at this point in time it appears that no formal response is needed by the Applicant as none was requested or required by the Examiner.

### **Double Patenting Rejection**

Claims 1-6, 8, 10-25, 27 and 28 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 3-15, 17-22 and 24-26 of copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/814,983.

This is a provisional rejection and as such Applicant is not required to submit a Terminal Disclaimer at this point in time since there are no claims of record that stand allowed. Moreover,

Applicant does not admit that the claims are obvious in view of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/814,983. However, should claims become allowable Applicant will at that time properly submit a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(b)(iv).

§ 103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1-6, 8, 11-25, 27 and 28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bonch et al. (U.S. 2004/0015725). Obviousness requires that each and every element be taught or suggested in the proposed combination of references.

The Examiner asserts that having a local service act as a reverse proxy is known in the art and in support thereof cites a Netscape reference. Applicant would like to state for the record that “reverse proxies” are traditionally configured to operate within the environment of the remote server because the “reverse proxies” are created in the first instance to create added security for the remote site and to alleviate congestion for traffic at the remote site. Applicant is not aware of any prior art teachings where the “reverse proxy” resides in the environment of the client. This is not the way the art teaches “reverse proxies,” the art requires the “reverse proxy” be operational within the remote environment of the remote site. So, the art the Examiner alludes to actually teaches away from what Applicant has done, which is to create a reverse proxy within the local environment of the requesting client.

This is also clear in Bonch where in FIG. 4, Bonch makes clear that the proxy is a transparent proxy configured within the local environment of the client. The proxy in Bonch is not acting on behalf of the remote site it is in fact acting exclusively on behalf of the client; therefore, the proxy in Bonch cannot be a reverse proxy as it is not managing operations on behalf of the remote site, which is what is needed for a reverse proxy. A reverse proxy manages requests made to a server from the perspective of the server not the client, the proxy in Bonch manages on behalf of just the client and is thusly correctly labeled in Bonch as a transparent proxy. Moreover, the art requires reverse proxies to be configured and operational within the remote site and does not at all provide a reverse proxy managed within a client site (requesting site).

As such, Applicant does not believe the proposed combination shows the elements of the amended claims. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the learned Examiner reconsider and remove the rejections of record.

Reservation of Rights

In the interest of clarity and brevity, Applicant may not have equally addressed every assertion made in the Office Action, however, this does not constitute any admission or acquiescence. Applicant reserves all rights not exercised in connection with this response, such as the right to challenge or rebut any tacit or explicit characterization of any reference or of any of the present claims, the right to challenge or rebut any asserted factual or legal basis of any of the rejections, the right to swear behind any cited reference such as provided under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, or the right to assert co-ownership of any cited reference. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited references or any other references of record is relevant to the present claims, or that they constitute prior art. To the extent that any rejection or assertion is based upon the Examiner's personal knowledge, rather than any objective evidence of record as manifested by a cited prior art reference, Applicant timely objects to such reliance on Official Notice, and reserves all rights to request that the Examiner provide a reference or affidavit in support of such assertion, as required by MPEP § 2144.03. Applicant reserves all rights to pursue any cancelled claims in a subsequent patent application claiming the benefit of priority of the present patent application, and to request rejoinder of any withdrawn claim, as required by MPEP § 821.04.

**CONCLUSION**

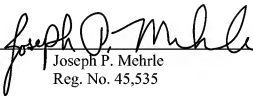
Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's representative at (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or deficiencies, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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